

Letter from Mabel Hubbard Bell to Alexander Graham Bell, June 28, 1902, with transcript

Letter from Mrs. Alexander Graham Bell to Dr. Alexander Graham Bell. Saturday June 28, 1902. The Woman's Club, 9 East 46th Street, New York City. Dear Alec:

Daisy got off very cheerfully this morning. She would not dwell upon the parting but upon the coming home well and strong, able to take up her life and it's duties with profit to herself and help to others. She seems to have entirely won the hearts of the Paterson family and there was nothing too much that they could do for her. They all came down to see her off. I got her a carrier maid. I thought of sending Charles, but she thought if she could get just the maid she wanted she could do all Charles could and much more besides in the way of caring for her, and although she is evidently much better than in Washington she is still in need of care and relief from all work, and packing is hard work. The woman is a very nice looking capable German, not young and has been all over the world and had very good letters of recommendation.

Elias stung her finger last night and reported that she had gained 12 parts more iron since the last stinging a week ago. Previously she had not gained at all. Then she had 60 parts of iron when there should be 100, now she has 71.

I am on my way to Washington now, but can not understand why you must leave Baddeck July 1st, when the circus does not begin until July 7. Please don't go any sooner than need be. It has been so cool, it will be hot now.

Much love, Yours, Mabel.